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REMARKS

The allowance of claims 7 to 15 is noted with appreciation.

In order to advance prosecution the non-allowed claims have been canceled leaving solely allowed claims 7 to 15 pending in this case. It is therefore respectfully submitted that the case is immediate condition for allowance.

Applicants do not agree with the prior art rejection of article claims 1 to 6 and plan to file a continuing application in which those claims are presented for further consideration.

The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned should anything further be required in the case prior to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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